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Standard Specification for Nickel Alloy Billets and Bars for Reforging¹

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1. Scope*

1.1 This specification covers UNS N06002, UNS N06030, UNS N06035, UNS N06022, UNS N06200, UNS N10362, UNS N06230, UNS N06600, UNS N06617, UNS N06625, UNS N08020, UNS N08026, UNS N08024, UNS N08120, UNS N08926, UNS N08367, UNS N10242, UNS N10276, UNS N10665, UNS N10675, UNS N12160, UNS R20033, UNS N06059, UNS N06686, UNS N10629, UNS N08031, UNS N06045, UNS N06025, UNS N06699, and UNS R30556² billets and bars for reforging.

1.2 The values stated in inch-pound units are to be regarded as standard. The values given in parentheses are mathematical conversions to SI units that are provided for information only and are not considered standard.

1.3 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to become familiar with all hazards including those identified in the appropriate Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for this product/material as provided by the manufacturer, to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices, and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.4 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:³

¹ This specification is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee B02 on Nonferrous Metals and Alloys and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee B02.07 on Refined Nickel and Cobalt and Their Alloys.

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² Designation established in accordance with ASTM E527 and SAE J1086, Practice for Numbering Metals and Alloys (UNS).

³ For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

[A262 Practices for Detecting Susceptibility to Intergranular Attack in Austenitic Stainless Steels](#)

[B880 Specification for General Requirements for Chemical Check Analysis Limits for Nickel, Nickel Alloys and Cobalt Alloys](#)

[B899 Terminology Relating to Non-ferrous Metals and Alloys](#)

[E1473 Test Methods for Chemical Analysis of Nickel, Cobalt, and High-Temperature Alloys](#)

3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions:

3.1.1 For definitions of terms used in this specification, refer to Terminology B899.

3.1.2 Terminology in this specification shall conform to the requirements of Terminology B899 including any supplementary requirements indicated in the purchase order or contract. In case of conflict between the requirements of this specification and Terminology B899, this specification shall prevail.

3.2 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:

3.2.1 *billets and bars, n*—terms billets and bars as used in this specification shall be understood as billets and bars for reforging.

4. Ordering Information

4.1 It is the responsibility of the purchaser to specify all requirements that are necessary for material ordered under this specification. Examples of such requirements include, but are not limited to, the following:

4.1.1 Quantity (weight or number of pieces),

4.1.2 Name of material or UNS number,

4.1.3 Form (bar or billet),

4.1.4 Dimensions,

4.1.5 ASTM designation and year of issue,

4.1.6 Inspection (12.1),

4.1.7 Certification—State if certification or a report of test results is required (Section 14),

4.1.8 Supplementary requirements, if any, and

4.1.9 If possible, the intended end use.

NOTE 1—A typical ordering description is as follows: 10 000 lb (4536 kg), UNS N08020, forging bar, 4¼ in. (107.95 mm) round, Specification B472.

*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard

5. Materials and Manufacture

5.1 The products shall be hot worked from ingots by rolling, forging, extruding, hammering, or pressing.

5.2 The products may be conditioned by chipping, grinding, or machining to remove injurious surface defects provided the depth of conditioning does not exceed that which will affect the surface condition or dimensions of the article to be forged from the bar or billet.

6. Chemical Composition

6.1 The material shall conform to the requirements as to chemical composition prescribed in **Table 1**.

6.2 If a product (check) analysis is performed by the purchaser, the material shall conform to the requirements specified in **Table 1** subject to the permissible tolerances in Specification **B880**.

7. Dimensions and Permissible Variations

7.1 Billets shall conform to the shapes and dimensions specified by the purchaser within a permissible variation of $\pm 5\%$.

7.2 Bars shall conform to the shape and dimensions specified by the purchaser within the permissible variations prescribed in **Table 2**.

8. Workmanship, Finish, and Appearance

8.1 The material shall be uniform in quality and free of injurious defects.

9. Sampling

9.1 *Lot*—A lot for chemical analysis shall consist of one heat.

9.2 *Test Material Selection*:

9.2.1 *Chemical Analysis*—Representative samples shall be taken during pouring or subsequent processing.

10. Number of Tests

10.1 *Chemical Analysis*—One test per heat.

11. Test Methods

11.1 The chemical composition of the material as enumerated in this specification shall, in case of disagreement, be determined in accordance with the following methods:

Test	ASTM Designations
Chemical analysis	E1473^A

^A Iron or nickel shall be determined arithmetically by difference.

12. Inspection

12.1 If specified, source inspection of the material by the purchaser at the manufacturer's plant shall be made as agreed upon between the purchaser and the manufacturer as part of the purchase contract.

13. Rejection and Rehearing

13.1 Material that fails to conform to the requirements of this specification may be rejected. Rejection should be reported to the producer or supplier promptly and in writing. In case of dissatisfaction with the results of the test, the producer or supplier may make claim for a rehearing.

14. Certification

14.1 When specified in the purchase order or contract, a manufacturer's certification shall be furnished to the purchaser stating that material has been manufactured, tested, and inspected in accordance with this specification, and that the test results on representative samples meet specification requirements. When specified in the purchase order or contract, a report of the test results shall be furnished.

15. Keywords

15.1 bar; billet; UNS N01820; UNS N06002; UNS N06022; UNS N06025; UNS N06030; UNS N06035; UNS N06045; UNS N06059; UNS N06200; UNS N06230; UNS N06600; UNS N06617; UNS N06625; UNS N06686; UNS N06699; UNS N08020; UNS N08024; UNS N08026; UNS N08031; UNS N08367; UNS N08926; UNS N10242; UNS N10276; UNS N10362; UNS N10629; UNS N10665; UNS N10675; UNS N12160; UNS R20033; UNS R30556